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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Telephone Call Concerning Negotiations
With Hanoi

25X1 1. At about 2310 last night, the Operations Center received a long-distance telephone call for the DDCI on Extension [redacted]. Upon being informed that Admiral Taylor was out of touch, the caller stated that his business, while not an emergency, was urgent and that he would speak to anyone on duty.

25X1 2. The caller identified himself as [redacted] Prince Edward Island, Canada. He described himself as a newspaperman. 25X1

25X1 3. [redacted] stated that he had been asked by the premier of Prince Edward Island to contact Hanoi to ascertain whether the North Vietnamese would accept Prince Edward Island as a suitable site for negotiations with the US. If the answer were affirmative, the provincial premier would then ask Prime Minister Trudeau and the Governor General to issue a formal invitation to Hanoi and Washington.

25X1 4. [redacted] stated that he reached the North Vietnamese mission in Paris by telephone at 0400 yesterday morning, but was told that a connection to Hanoi could not be completed at that time.

25X1 5. [redacted] then asked for advice on the best means of reaching Hanoi. He stated that he had contacted the US Embassy in Ottawa, but had received no help.

25X1 6. I then asked [redacted] if he knew Admiral Taylor. He stated that he did not, and that someone had told him CIA

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